

Appl. No. 09/519,076
Amdt. dated March 15, 2004
Reply to Office Action of March 11, 2003

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 47, 49-52, and 54-56 are pending. Claims 47, 49, 52, and 54 have been amended to delete SEQ ID NO: 1 and SEQ ID NO:3. Claim 52 has been amended to recite high stringency hybridization conditions. These amendments add no new matter. Support for the stringency conditions can be found, e.g., in the specification on page 24, lines 8-11.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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